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Campus prepares for possible crises, updates safety protocol

Caitlin Ryder
News Editor

Emergency preparedness week will be held from Sept. 17 through Sept. 22 at PUC, as it's dedicated to testing campus' readiness for a crisis situation.

Over the course of this week, several sound system drills will be tested over the campus intercom.

An emergency button will be a new feature on the PUC homepage, starting Monday, Sept. 17, and will be a direct link to any updates on crises situations when and if they occur. The hope is to help reach as many people as possible in the smallest amount of time, said Wes Lukoshus, assistant vice chancellor for advancement.

The current mass information system at PUC is by phone. It takes two hours to call all the programmed numbers and it is not as efficient as campus administrators hoped because of spam filters on phones. According to Kull, the new wave of mass communication may be text messaging.

"Not even Purdue University West Lafayette has [an emergency button]," said Mike Kull, assistant vice chancellor of administrative services and emergency preparedness coordinator.

On Monday, Sept. 17 six local area colleges including Valparaiso University and Purdue University North Central will come to PUC to discuss possible crisis situations.

Kull said building regional relationships is important because it allows the campuses to share ideas and experiences about emergency situations. The support of other campuses will be available through these connections. If one of the campuses had a power outage, they could depend on PUC to lend them information and equipment.

Two fishbowl exercises will be held on Tuesday in Alumni Hall at 9:30 a.m. and at University Village on Wednesday at 5 p.m. This will be the third and forth time these exercises have been done on campus.

PUC crisis management team is the "brain child" of Chancellor Howard Cohen, Kull said. The team, which began in March 2006, meets monthly to review crisis drills.

Kull said these sessions will require the team to receive a faux crisis and decide on the best possible solution.

The event is open to students, faculty and community members. Once the mock crisis is over, the team will ask for comments and questions from the audience.

"We can't get better without feedback," Kull said. "It teaches us how to tweak and enhance responses."

Orange posters posted and pamphlets and booklets distributed throughout campus explain how crisis situations should be handled.

Kull said this was the first year faculty were asked to point out the emergency plan in classrooms, talk to their students about emergency situations and include a section dedicated to these situations in the class syllabus.

A total of $1.4 million is going to be used to upgrade campus generators. The money comes from university funds that are distributed to the needs of the institution, Kull said.

According to Lukoshus, the campus learned from the previous trouble with the generators and wanted to fix the mistake.

Preventing emergency situations is exactly what PUC is trying to do, Lukoshus said.

The best way to avoid or stop a crisis situation is for everyone to keep their eyes steady and ears open, he said.

For more information visit:

www.calumet.purdue.edu/emergency/

Event celebrates exceeded fundraising goal

Mike Ayala
Staff Writer

Celebrate Success, a festival held to celebrate a $17 million fundraising campaign, will have food, calligraphy, musical performances and a variety of other forms of entertainment.

The Purdue University Capital Campaign, the focus of the celebration, began in 2001. PUC's goal was to raise $10.8 million, but exceeded the goal obtaining $17 million by the end of the campaign on June 30. Over 6,000 people made donations to the fund.

Funds made by PUC will be used to improve the campus. Over $1 million was distributed to the student housing complex, Judith Kaufman, vice chancellor of advancement, said. Three million dollars was invested into various PUC scholarships as well.

The event is free to attend for faculty, staff and students, as well as anyone else who wishes to attend. It is scheduled Sept. 28 at 4 p.m. in Founders Plaza, located between Porter and SUL.

Colorful chalk drawings advertising the event can be seen throughout the campus.

Kaufman said three stage performances will be held. Two stages will be set up at Founders Plaza, and will play classical music and pop rock. Heavy metal music will be played on a third stage located on top of the parking garage.

"I think it's appropriate for a garage band," Kaufman said.

A wide array of food, including pizza, ice cream and hotdogs will be sold at the event. Tickets can be exchanged for food, similar to the Taste of Chicago. Kaufman said 12 tickets can be purchased for $10, and no food items will exceed three tickets.

Kaufman said the food prices are not to raise funds, nor are they an attempt to make a profit.

In addition to music and refreshments, other forms of entertainment will be available.

Buskers, street performers such as clowns and mimes, will be performing at the event.

"It's going to be a giant street fair," Kaufman says.

Attendees will be able to have their faces painted and names written in calligraphy. An inflatable slide and gym will be available for children to play in. Kaufman hopes this event will draw outside community.

Chronicle photo by Nathyn D. Gibson

Celebrate Success will be held on Sept. 28 in Founders Plaza sponsored by the university.

Kaufman stressed that entertainers, musicians and helpers are still welcome to join. She also stated she's looking for three MCs to manage equipment and announce the musicians.

Any faculty or alumni wishing to perform on stage can send demo tapes and apply at LAWS 318. The only restriction is that all performers must be from PUC.

"We're showcasing the talent of Purdue," Kaufman said.

Anyone who is interested may visit LAWS 318 and request a MC position – no application is necessary. Interested parties can also call 989-2323.

Applications and demo tapes must be received before Sept. 24.

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A Look Around...

Undergraduate Research Program

The Student Research Office is accepting applications for the Undergraduate Research Program. The program will fund up to $750 for research expenses for students who work on a project with a faculty member. For an application, go to www.calumet.purdue.edu/studentresearch. Please email the application to sro@calumet.purdue.edu by Sept. 18.

Chancellor's reading circle

Join the Chancellor's Reading Circle on Oct. 17 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Kuiper House, the Chancellor's residence, located one block from campus. Faculty member, Samuel Liles, will facilitate a discussion of the book "Wheels: A Story of Growing Up" by Doug Grosjean. Interested students may register at SUL 104-B (next to the game room). Books are free.

Open enrollment at Riley Child Center

There is open enrollment for children ages three through six at the Charlotte R. Riley Child Center. The Child Center is located next to the fitness center on 173rd St. Please call 989-2343 to register.

Specialty Classes available at Fitness Center

The PUC Fitness Center is offering yoga, TaiChi and core conditioning classes this semester. Yoga classes are offered on Tuesday and Thursday at 7a.m. and noon. TaiChi classes are offered Monday and Wednesday at noon. Core conditioning classes are 5 p.m. Monday and Wednesday. Each class lasts 10 weeks and costs $10 per class. Please pay at the Fitness Center front desk.

Join a pep band

Student Activities and New Student Orientation are looking for any students interested in forming a pep band. For more information, go to SUL 104-B or call 989-2369 or 989-4160.

New organization

Non-Traditional Student Organization is looking for students interested in becoming members. For more information about NoTSO, contact Kathy Prendergast at prendergast1@calumet.purdue.edu.

Fishbowl exercises

Chancellor Howard Cohen along with the Crisis Managment Team will be handling a faux crisis situation on Tuesday, Sept. 18 at 9:30 a.m. in Alumni Hall. Another mock situation will occur on Wednesday at 5 p.m., Sept. 19 at University Village. Students are encouraged to attend.

Central Intelligence Agency

The CIA will be on campus Tuesday, Sept. 25. There will be a table set up in SUL offering information from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.The information session will be from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. in SUL 321.

Sailing course

HTM 390-N (HTM 385) Educational Study Cruise 2008 (3 Credits) will take place from May 10 to May 15. A $200 non-refundable deposit must be paid by Dec. 15. To learn more and see pictures from Cruise 2007 and to read more detailed information on the 2008 cruise visit www.calumet.purdue.edu/htm.

Body Under Reconstruction

Participants will have to work out three times per week and complete a pre and post-program evaluation in the six-week program. Sign up begins Sept. 10 in the Fitness Center, more information to come.

Submitting Briefs

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Seminar teaches student safety

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The PUC Career Services Department sponsored a "Right to Know" seminar on Thursday in an effort to inform student workers of their rights and responsibilities under OSHA.

John Feeney, the occupational health and safety spccialist for PUC, spoke to a group of three student workers, emphasizing the importance of knowing proper safety protocol at the university.

"Student workers often know they have responsibilities, but they need to know their rights as well," Feeney said.

Feeney said students need to know who to report accidents to, and that there is assistance from the university for those who feel uncomfortable confronting their supervisors about health hazards.

"Students need to know that they don't have to fear repercussions in the workplace," Feeney said.

Right to Know program requires every Indiana institution of higher-education to educate their workers about their rights and responsibilities under OSHA. Although attending these seminars is not required for student workers, Feeney said he hopes there will be a general safety course for all student workers.

Lorraine Fiordelisi, the career services coordinator, said she sponsored the program to benefit student workers and each guest.

"Jobs on campus are many students' first experience in the professional world," Fiordelisi said. "We try to teach them as much as possible about living in the real world."

Feeney said he believes faculty cooperation would benefit the Right to Know program. He said many faculty members do not actively encourage their student workers to attend safety events on the clock.

"We just need more support from faculty to get students involved in these training programs," Feeney said.

There will be a second session for those unable to attend the first.

A second session will be held from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. in SUL 321 on Sept. 17

Tossing the day away

Chronicle photo by Nathyn D. Gibson

Sheila Stephenson, a secretary in the teacher preparation department, enjoys a game of bean bags during the luau for teachers and staff held Friday.

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Technology Helps Detect Plagiarism

In this new age of instant data transfer is it becoming increasingly easy to copy and paste someone else's work in place of your own. Websites are pulling in thousands of dollars in the selling of term papers, and there are a myriad of places on the web to get information from.

With the onset of this new technology both students and teachers must hold themselves to a higher standard in order not to be compromised. The school honor code states, "I understand that dishonesty in the classroom, through cheating, plagiarism or other dishonest acts, defeats this purpose and disgraces the mission and quality of a Purdue University Calumet education."

In order to ensure we all live up to that standard there are quite a few things that the University does to enforce this code.

Turn It In

The primary program used by the University, Turn It In, allows faculty to check a students' papers against a large database of previously published text. It is the world's leading plagiarism prevention database, and is used by universities all across the country. Faculty can receive more information about the use of this tool by visiting the Office of Instructional Technology in Gyte 135 or at http://www.calumet.purdue.edu/ecourses/turnitin.html.

Search Engines

Surprisingly, search engines are becoming more and more useful in the world of plagiarism prevention. They are especially useful for finding out if a student plagiarized a single paragraph from another source as well as for verifying quotes.

Crime and Punishment

As with all crimes, plagiarism does not go unpunished. If a student is caught cheating they can be given disciplinary probation, suspension, fail the assignment, test, paper, or possibly even fail the class entirely. In some cases, the offenses may even warrant expulsion. For further information on the university's discipline policy visit: http://www.calumet.purdue.edu/deanofstudents/typical_sanctions.html. More information is also available in the Student Handbook available at http://www.calumet.purdue.edu/stuserv/student-handbook.pdf or a hard-copy at the Information Center in the Student Union Library Building or at the Enrollment Services Center in Lawshe 130.

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Grant program gives students chance to experience careers

Anthony Franklin
Chronicle Correspondent

The Student Research Office is offering the Undergraduate Research Grant Program to students and mentors.

The grant money is provided to cover research expenses such as data, equipment and traveling situations. It does not cover stipends such as typical office supplies.

The program's main purpose is encouraging undergraduate students to participate in a field of research with faculty mentors to obtain knowledge beyond general classroom participation.

"It's also a very good thing for students to put on a résumé," said Joseph Bularzik, director of the student research office.

The grant also gives students additional experiences in their research to find out what it would be like as a professional in their field, said Bularzik.

Some students applicants of the program are also appreciative of its support.

April Buckley, a junior majoring in chemistry, is supported by the URGP for her research on organic chemistry.

The grant covered tools needed to mix chemicals which offered her a lot of learning techniques in her field, Buckley said.

"Being taught one on one with your mentor is a good experience," said Buckley.

Ryan Johnson, a sophomore majoring in chemistry, received the full $750 in funding. The URGP covered certain supplies such as ether, petroleum and hexane which are necessary for the research and offers a better demonstration of a job-like experience, Johnson said.

To obtain the grant, students must participate in the research with a staff member or mentor, have a GPA of 2.0 or higher and be enrolled as an undergraduate student.

To apply, students must fill out an online application with a recommendation letter from their mentor. The application is then assessed by a PUC review committee to decide which project is worth funding and how much funding certain projects deserve.

After receiving an URGP grant, a one-page summary of a student's project results must be submitted to the PUC research seminar and present their work as a verbal or poster presentation.

To apply

The deadline for applications is Sept. 18 before midnight. To download the application visit www.calumet.purdue.edu/studentresearch

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Web site connects students with cell phones

Anthony Franklin
Chronicle Correspondent

JuiceCaster is a free multimedia network enabling users to create their own personal website directly linked to cell phones and virtually anywhere on the web.

JuiceCaster allows users to send JuiceCasts – audio, video, text and image content – to their friends in real-time with their cell phone. For example, users can take a picture or record a video of a game winning touchdown at a football game and send it immediately to their friend's cell phone or to their friends JuiceCaster webpage. Users can also comment on their friends JuiceCasts.

Kevin O'Hara, a sophomore majoring in computer graphics, said JuiceCaster is a good source for mass communication after navigating the website.

"It's like a huge e-mail," O'Hara said.

JuiceCaster has another feature called a mediabox. The mediabox is a small interactive window allowing users to express themselves by using images and videos. It also contains a list of a user's friends to seek any new images or pictures a person recently posted.

The mediabox can be applied on any personal website, like MySpace.

Tony Porter, a junior majoring in advertisement, said it's good for people who are really into their cell phones.

JuiceCaster launched in 2006 and continues to grow in popularity according to Jill Stoppard, a marketing director for JuiceWireless.

"We have a vibrant community of over 30,000 users and we've recently just launched our Mobile Video application on Facebook," Stoppard said. "So we expect a huge surge of new members downloading the application and broadcasting the cool stuff they see and experience each day to their friends on Facebook."

Michael Powell, a sophomore majoring in biology, thinks JuiceCaster is going to be overshadowed by major online communities like Facebook.

"I don't think it's going to get off the ground because it's too late in the game," Powell said.

According to JuiceCaster, more and more people are dependent on cell phones, granting JuiceCaster the chance to change the way people socialize by applying these features to their users.

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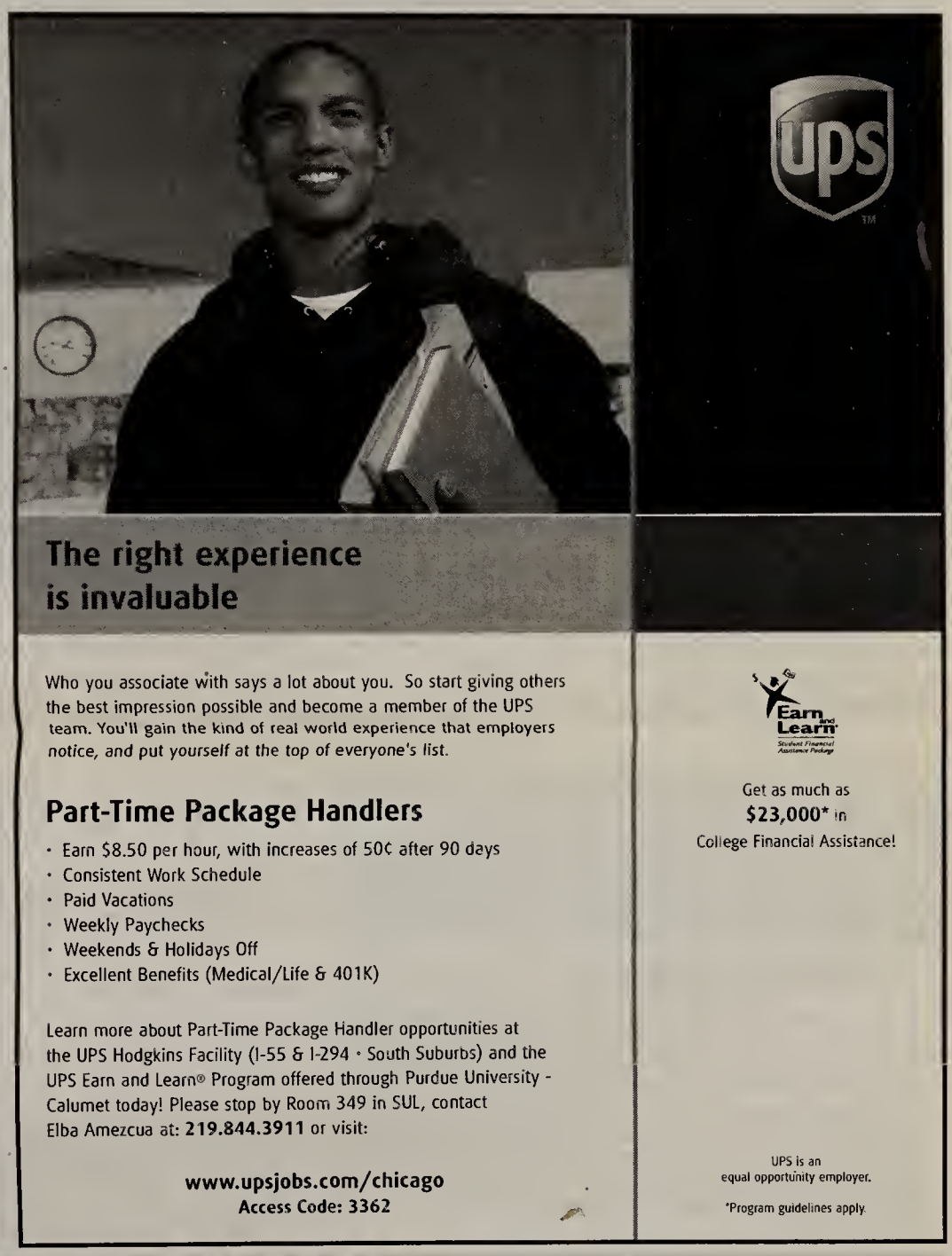
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The judical system is biased

Jeremy Homan
Sports Editor

I love how whatever a cop says or does is usually right. A cop can go through a stop light so they don't have to wait or give a bogus ticket just to meet their quota.

This was the case for me. I received three tickets in one occurance back in August; one for speeding, one for expired insurance and another for a seat belt violation. I had valid insurnace with me and was wearing my seatbelt, but was speeding.

I'm no stranger to getting tickets and have spent 20 hours in a classroom for traffic school. I didn't realize how much the system is biased towards cops until I had to go to court.

I recently sat in a courtroom for a couple hours last week to dispute my three tickets I received in August. I know I was speeding, but not as fast as I was clocked.

I watched people stand in front of the judge and officer and plead not guilty. Not one person was found not guilty. Despite their story, whether true or unbelievable, the cop's story was always right and whatever the cop said went. It seemed like the judge sided with the cops immediately.

Some cops gave answers completely irrelevant to the question and were still given the benefit of the doubt. I learned from watching and simply pleaded guilty, paid my fine and left.

It had me wondering how biased everything is towards cops, especially the judicial system. The judicial system needs to treat cops and civilians with equality – and stop being biased. Very rarely is a cop found guilty or wrong.

A cop is hardly seen doing wrong yet when they do, it's brushed over like nothing happened.

There are times when cops receive unbiased treatment from the law. A cop in Porter County was arrested on battery charges and the officer's career is now in jeopardy.

The judicial system needs to recognize the equality of cops and civilians. Cops can lie too; just like us. They are made to be some super humans who can't do wrong.

I respect cops and they do a great job keeping us safe, but when it comes to cops getting away with crime and never being wrong, civilians need to be given a chance. We are right sometimes and a cop can be wrong.

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Is PUC as safe it can be?

The issue: PUC's facilities

Our opinion: Campus needs to do more to secure safety

Statistics from securityoncampus.com during 2005 explain that more campus reports include theft and property crime than violent crimes, murders, forcible rape and aggravated assault.

With the growing number of students attending, PUC the university must be more prepared to secure the safety of the student population. Student enrollment for this semester is at 9,280.

PUC has taken some extra measures to help secure the campus through emergency preparedness. Several updated emergency response guides were strategically placed throughout campus explaining what to do in an emergency situation.

However students and staff didn't see these updated emergency guides until recently. Guides were simple maps indicting where emergency exits are, and were placed around elevators and classrooms. They were not thorough in what to do in case of emergencies, such as natural disasters.

A list of all emergency phones on campus was given to The Chronicle from the PUC police department and few phones were unable to be found.

A Chronicle staff member also noted two elevators – one in Anderson and Gyte – without emergency phones. If another power outage was caused by a storm, how could someone notify the police without a phone? Cell phone reception is nearly nonexistent in elevators.

The Chronicle also discovered at least two emergency phones out of order. Phone 105 located the northwest end of Founder's Plaza has been out of order for a few weeks now. The other was found in the REC Center parking lot.

Although there are 52 emergency phones throughout campus, there are many secluded walk ways that do not have one and many areas around the ANDR building. Secluded areas are not the only places without phones. Many parts of parking lots don't have emergency phones.

The university campus police currently employ nine officers and are looking to hire one more. The 3 p.m. – 11 p.m. shift has two to four officers on duty, while the midnight shift only has one officer on duty.

Many campus buildings close at the latest 11 p.m., close earlier or sometimes are not open on Saturdays and Sundays.

There are not many lights working in the SUL parking lot which makes it harder for students to see when walking to their cars. At times, these lights have been out even before the building is closed.

Some students are sometimes greeted with a dark parking lot when exiting the building at those times. With more police officers on duty, students would be safer at night.

The university is headed in the correct direction with the emergency preparedness plans, but now it should be taken a step further.

If PUC strives to upgrade their emergency procedures, they need to see the need for additions and repairs on emergency phones as well.

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Recess is a learning experience

Jessica Cochran
Entertainment Editor

The other day I heard some schools are banning children from playing tag because it promotes a bad level of self-esteem, aggressiveness and a loss of confidence in children.

I started thinking about recess in general, but not on how dumb the ban is – though it is.

Oh how I miss the days of recess.

I don't know about you, but when I made that dramatic, life-altering move from elementary school to middle school the one thing I dreaded most was the loss of recess.

It seems too good to let go of those days hanging from the monkey bars, playing tag on the basketball courts and the occasional four-square game with classmates.

Sometimes I wish we could take a break from lectures and labs, go outside and enjoy a great big game of dodge ball or maybe even some red rover.

I understand that's why intramurals were developed; to give students the chance to take a break from their studies. But I'm talking about full-fledged recess that takes place during the middle of class.

You have to admit, recess was fun.

It represents pure childhood, when there were no jobs or money problems and when you didn't need to worry about writing 10 page essays or what your significant other is doing.

The only worries in mind were being picked last for a game or not, and quite frankly, that doesn't sound so bad anymore.

When you ask elementary age children what their favorite part of school is, nine times out of 10 they will reply "recess." At least that's what both my nephews told me.

To be quite honest, when I think of my childhood some of the only things I can remember happened outside the classroom. I have a hard enough time remembering which teacher I had, let alone what I learned in math or geography.

Recess is a part of childhood. There should be jungle gyms, tire swings, forts and all other things we enjoyed as kids. Nobody should take something as simple as tag away from them.

Recess in general teaches children how to share, socialize and become good winners. It gives children a sense of pride and accomplishment.

Now, I do understand that it is both unrealistic and childish to want the reinstatement of such a thing like recess while in my 20s, but I can't help it. And I will bet most of you feel the same way – at least once in awhile.

Second City brings laughs to PUC

Katie Ramsey
Staff Writer

Chronicle Photo by Nathyn D. Gibson

In Second City's opening skit, masked cast members dragged another actor onto the stage and belittled him until he fought back. Second City performed for the first time at PUC Friday in Alumni Hall.

Hillary Clinton jokes, MySpace bashing and poking fun at American culture, all in one sitting?

The Second City Touring Company combined various subjects accompanied with burns and bashes so good they had the whole room roaring with laughter Friday night in Alumni Hall.

This was Second City's first time performing at PUC.

The stage was set with nothing more than six chairs for the six performers, three male and three female. With no scenery except for a black curtain, the actors could "take you anywhere."

Other than a few props, including a wig, guitar, machine gun and a pair of coke-bottle glasses, everything was left to the imagination. Facial expressions combined with exaggerated movements were all that was needed to set the scene.

The various skits required Middle Eastern accents for bashing on American society, gay personification to talk Shakespeare's characters out of killing themselves and improv singing to spontaneous subjects from the crowd.

Cast member Aimee McKay held the feather that tickled the funny bone. For the improv sections her remarks were witty and ready at the snap of a finger.

Her facial expressions and gestures amplified the point of the skit as the spotlight shined down on her.

The crowd's interaction was entertaining as well.

Sarah Haskins and Shad Kunkle picked out two audience members for an American citizens test. Haskins asked the questions "What are the three branches of the government?" and "What are two rights of every American Citizen?"

Kunkle took the other side of the spectrum asking "Rate these three fast food chains in rank of deliciousness" and "Name two movies that it's okay for guys to cry during."

Athough the two members of the audience were stumped over both sets of questions, the best part was the quick, smart responses from the actors. No matter what the two audience members said, Haskins and Kunkle had something to shoot back.

Second City launched the careers of some of the great comedians such as John Belushi, Mike Myers, John Candy and Dan Aykroyd.

When the touring company hits the road, they make slight changes for current events.

Writers for the shows include Steve Cobert (The Cobert Report) and Steve Carrel (40 Year Old Virgin), as well as cast members.

The night was both entertaining and informative. A lot of today's issues including the Internet, war, politics and music lyrics were not only made fun of, but brought to attention as well.

Sultan Cafe offers unique food

Kristen Hannagan
Staff Writer

Chronicle photo by Nathyn D. Gibson

Sultan Cafe recently opened in Griffith and offers a variety of Middle Eastern food from entrees to drinks.

Located in a plaza with a comic book store and a computer repair shop, something feels like it doesn't belong.

The exotic Sultan Cafe might be just the stop for those who enjoy Middle Eastern food or like trying new cuisine.

The Sultan Cafe, located in Griffith, opened April 14.

Marroon-seated chairs and booth tables are surrounded by a mural-depicting scenes including one of a shepherd tending to his flock. Palm trees in the mural along with the brick wall give diners the feel of eating outdoors, while the sounds of Middle Eastern music fill the air.

Khalid Alkam co-owns the cafe with his cousin who also runs Aladdin Pita in Merrilville. Sultan Café is the second location of the two restaurants.

The cafe was to be called Aladdin's originally since it's smaller than the Merrillville location. The cafe was named Sultan, which means "king", because it is something Americans recognize as being Middle Eastern, Alkam said.

Middle Eastern cuisine is offered on the menu, and sandwiches range from $5-$7 and the entrees from $11-$14. Both sandwiches and entrees come with soup.

Speciality drinks like Turkish coffee ($2.29), and desserts like muhallabia ($1.99) and baklawa ($2.49) are also offered – the desserts are not served in most restaurants. Daily specials are offered as well.

Besides food and drink, hookahs are available. Hookahs – water pipes used to smoke flavored tobacco – cost $9.99 and users must be 18 or older and have a valid state ID.

Some of the customers are familiar with the cuisine and some are not. Vegetarians and those looking for healthy foods tend to come to the cafe, said Alkam.

For those unfamiliar with Middle Eastern cuisine, try the Mezza appetizer ($4.99) which includes hummos, Arabian salad ($4.39), and the Kabab Combination Plate ($13.99) with three kinds of kabobs.

However, the Chicken Shawerma Sandwich ($4.99) is the best selling item at the cafe because it's both spicy and marinated. Hummos and the falafel are most commonly recognized as Middle Eastern dishes.

Those who are familiar with the cuisine enjoy the items on the menu and ask for more items to be added. He is looking for people to come in and try the food.

The Sultan Cafe also offers a catering service, bakery goods and a full grocery line of Middle Eastern food.

There are only two Middle Eastern restaurants in the area, Sultan Cafe and Aladdin Pita.

Alkam said hopes to open more restaurants in the area if business is good.

Karaoke in the Falls

Chronicle photo by Nathyn D. Gibson

Brianna Ridout, a sophomore majoring in CGT, took advantage of karaoke in Calumet Falls Thursday, singing "Don't Let Me Get Me," by Pink. Sponsored by Student Activities, the next karaoke night will be held on Oct. 11.

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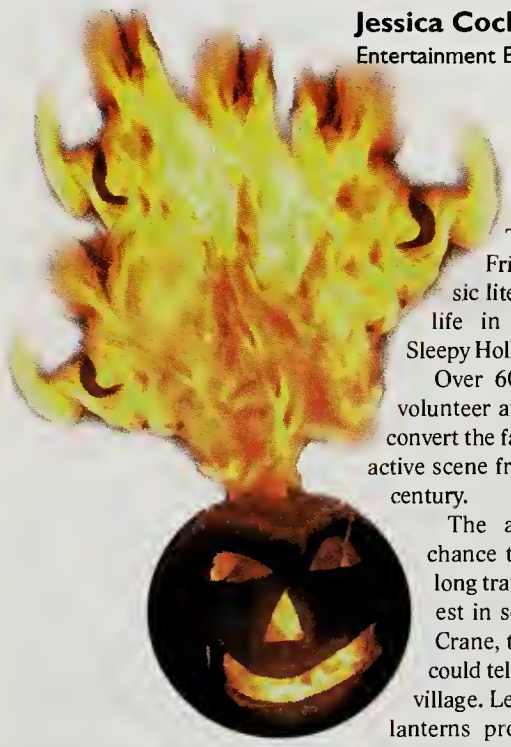
Live the 'Legend of Sleepy Hollow'

Chronicle photo by Jessica Cochran

Classical literature came to life Friday night at Buckley Homestead as 60 or more volunteers and staff put on an interactive theatrical performance of the Legend of Sleepy Hollow. Presented by the Lake County Parks Department, the Legend of Sleepy Hollow began in 1999 and has been running strong ever since attracting audiences of all ages.



Jessica Cochran
Entertainment Editor

Buckley Homestead transformed into Tarry Town, N.Y. Friday night as classic literature sprang to life in the Legend of Sleepy Hollow.

Over 60 people – both volunteer and staff – helped convert the farm into an interactive scene from the late 18th century.

The audience gets a chance to walk the mile-long trail through the forest in search of Ichabod Crane, the only man who could tell the stories of the village. Led by a guide, and lanterns providing the only light, the groups met up with various characters along the way.

From participating in the "Broom Dance" to running across the river from the headless horseman, the audience is involved in every aspect of the theater.

> *"It's a great way to step into fall and start thinking about pumpkins and hayrides."*
> **Karrie Crisan, assistant superintendent of visitor services**

Presented by the Lake County Parks Department, Sleepy Hollow has been a family tradition for some time and has grown and changed every year since 1999.

According to Karrie Crisan, assistant superintendent of visitor services, Buckley Homestead – located in Lowell – is the perfect place to hold the reenactment.

The open land and old houses fit perfectly into the storyline, and helps to create the suspenseful and eerie sensations as the sun sets.

"The parks department does a great job of bringing classic literature to life," said Crisan. "It's not intended to be scary; it's live theater. It's a great way to step into fall and start thinking about pumpkins and hayrides."

The Legend of Sleepy Hollow will be presented a total of four days, ending on Saturday. However all 1,140 tickets were sold out within the first three hours of going on sale.

Previously, the tickets were sold from both Deep River Water Park and by phone. This year tickets could only be purchased from the water park because of high demand from the community. An extra night was also added.

"A lot of people ask us to do more nights, and if we could we would," said Crisan.

Since there is such a large amount of staff and time involved in creating the event, it is difficult to ask for more time than people had already given, she said.

If the Legend of Sleepy Hollow was missed, the Buckley Homestead will also be hosting a fall festival Oct. 6 and 7 offering entertainment for all ages.

For more information on the Legend of Sleepy Hollow and other events visit:

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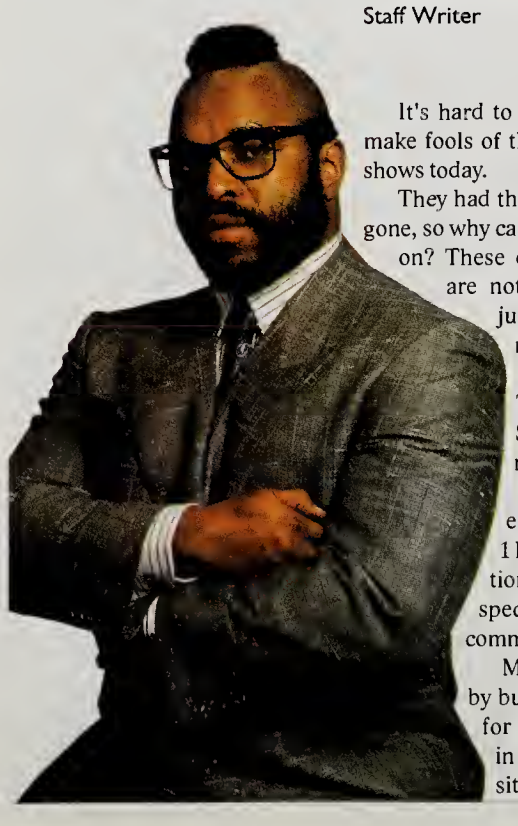
'I Pity the Fool' that sits through this DVD



Katie Ramsey
Staff Writer

It's hard to watch has-beens make fools of themselves on TV shows today.

They had their prime and it's gone, so why can't they just move on? These comeback shows are nothing more than just an embarrassment to themselves, and Mr. T's "I Pity the Fool Season 1" DVD is no exception.

The six episodes of Season 1 hone in on motivation, trust, unity, respect, leadership and communication.

Mr. T is contacted by businesses that ask for his help. He goes in and observes the situation to try and figure out what the problem is.

If a business, such as a car dealership, has reached the point of asking a former A-Team cast member for help, they need a lot more than publicity from a TV show.

After Mr. T observes the problem he breaks it down into three areas tackled separately. After he is satisfied he's helped each section individually, Mr. T puts them back together to make sure everything runs smoothly – and of course – there's always a happy ending.

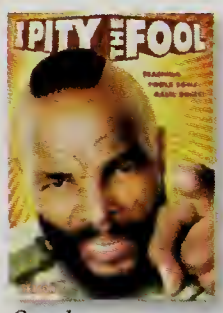
The cast is cooperative and listens to his advice, but when push comes to shove Mr. T must step in with his oh-so-witty lines in order to motivate everyone to get started.

When a car dealership reaches out for Mr. T's help, he quickly pinpoints one problem as the tension builds between the father and son who run the place.

"[It's time to] knock the rust off the relationship, and remove the skid marks," said Mr. T.

The show is dull and unoriginal. The tearful breakthroughs accompanied with touching music will succeed in getting one to roll their eyes rather than dab them.

If at the movie store, and it comes down to selecting Mr. T beating Rocky Balboa in "Rocky III"or Mr. T beating his reputation in "I Pity the Fool Season 1," don't go for the latter.



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More news, less Spears

Jessica Cochran
Entertainment Editor

Everyone hears about the nightly escapades from the usual celebrity party girls. The trend of tracking these girls has gotten so popular there's almost always something mentioned on prime-time news.

No one cares about the weather or the economy anymore – let's chat about the latest club-hopping celebs instead.

There's jailbird Paris Hilton, motherly Britney Spears and way-too-skinny Lindsay Lohan – apparently called the "trio" – who the camera just loves to follow well into the night, only to inform eager Americans the next morning about their promiscuous adventures.

As you can probably tell, I'm not a fan. But I do have one question – where's all the men?

There are numerous men in the world of young celebrities like Chad Michael Murray and Shia LeBeouf, but we never hear about them running wild in the streets of Los Angeles.

Nice young men like them would never go out drinking or get into any trouble at all, right?

Yeah, I'm sure that's it.

Why then does the world revolve around the women? Maybe because they're just an easier target.

The "trio" as they call it, always had a tendency to be in the spotlight for the worst reasons.

In fact, the headline "Britney...no panties" caught my eye just the other day.

America seems to love hearing the raunchy details. Maybe it's because they like to know these celebrities aren't as "perfect" as they were once portrayed.

I don't know.

Whatever the case, if the world insists on knowing every little detail about every big shot in Hollywood, they should at least make it equal. Tell us the dirty details of the men if you insist on telling us about the women.

I'm not sure who's with me, but there is a time and a place to hear about the nightly escapades of the "trio" or any other young celebrity, man or woman. And that is on Jay Leno or David Letterman, not on the news.

I would rather listen to a monotone old man rant and rave about the weather than hear about who got drunk, who wore what and who went to rehab the day before.

Live music in the local backyard

The who's, what's, when's and where's to the local music scene

Amandali Nieves
Staff Writer

The Blue Room Cafe

The Blue Room Cafe is one of the area's leading places to see jazz, folk and indie bands.

The espresso bar recently relocated from its original location in Highland to Homan Ave. in downtown Hammond.

The move did not alter the fan base. College and high school students still gather for the free wi-fi connection and reasonably priced gourmet snacks and coffee drinks.

Open mic night will be held Sept. 20 and two Old-Time Gospel hours will be held Sept. 21 and Sept. 22.

Grind Coffee House

Another coffee house that doubles as a concert venue is the Grind Coffee House.

Located on Main St. in downtown Hobart, the beanery is a hot spot for locals.

The Grind often hosts special events like club nights and open mic nights aside from concerts.

The beanery will be having a block party during the weekend of Sept. 29. The bands playing are still unknown, with the exception of Karta.

On Oct. 6, Tomorrow Has Arrived will take The Grind stage with Nerve Damage, Torn Affair and David Costa. Made Avail will perform on Oct. 20 with Danger Is My Middle Name, How Bright The Sky and Native.

The Square Sports Academy

For a chance to see big named local and national acts, going to On The Square Sports Academy is advised.

On The Square Sports Academy is a gym as well as a community center. Located in downtown Crown Point, many local and national bands have played the center, including 1997, The Junior Varsity and Between the Buried and Me.

On The Square offers a variety of sports activities like soccer and dodge ball, and can be rented out for special events like birthday parties and school dances.

Crown Point's local band Asteria will perform, along with Powerspace, The Secret Handshake, Monty Are I and Farewell, Sept. 29.

JT Music

JT Music is a concert venue in Midlothian, Ill. that is growing in popularity. The hole-in-the-wall that is JT Music has already hosted a plethora of signed bands like Every Avenue, BANDCAMP and Socratic.

If there is not a concert being held, you can still rock out playing Guitar Hero on the venue's console and sip on cheap energy drinks.

A 10 band punk and ska fest will be held Sept. 23 with JYNXD!, The Positives, The Losing Streaks and more. The Infected, The Violent Hymens and The Positives will play the venue on Sept. 28.

Veara, The Ability, Ferrison and Perfection Within will play JT Music Sept. 29 and the Secret Handshake, Like Dolls, Powerspace and Farewell will play the following night.

*All venues are currently looking to book shows.

The real 'Bio'-shock

Sean Davis
Chronicle Correspondent

Rapture. Dictionary.com tells me the meaning of this word is ecstatic joy or delight; joyful ecstasy. Justice resides in this definition because that is, indeed, what I felt while playing Bioshock (for the PC and Xbox 360).

Bioshock is defined as a first-person action RPG with some blood, guts, violence, bad language and some truly creepy ambiance that messes with your head. You play as a survivor of a plane crash who stumbles upon an underwater world created with pure grandeur in mind.

It's a place where people changed into something sinister, a place where you need to think quickly and act even faster in order to survive. It's a place called Rapture.

Rapture was created by Andrew Ryan, a Soviet-born idealist who wanted to change the world. With Rapture you find a variety of horrible creatures such as the "über"-quick spider splicers who want nothing more than to gut you before you can say "ouch," and the Big Daddies who will smash your head in if you touch their Little Sisters (who take a substance called "Adam" from dead bodies which all of Rapture needs to survive).

The game play in Bioshock is smooth and fun with some awesome weapons – which are all upgradeable – and cool abilities called plasmids.

Each plasmid will give you a different power, such as electrocuting a group of splicers who are standing in the middle of a pool of water because you just lit them on fire with a different plasmid.

Tonics in the game will increase your abilities RPG style; and you are going to need it to fight the Big Daddies who are nigh-invulnerable.

The graphics in this game are second to none, scale very well on a PC and look fantastic on your Xbox 360. Just make sure you have a Shader Model 3.0 graphics card before you buy this game for your computer. If not, you are going to be pretty upset.

The sound quality in Bioshock is simply fantastic with an all-around spooky feeling to it. With all of the different weapons and powers and its two different endings, Bioshock is a game you are going to play more than one time through.

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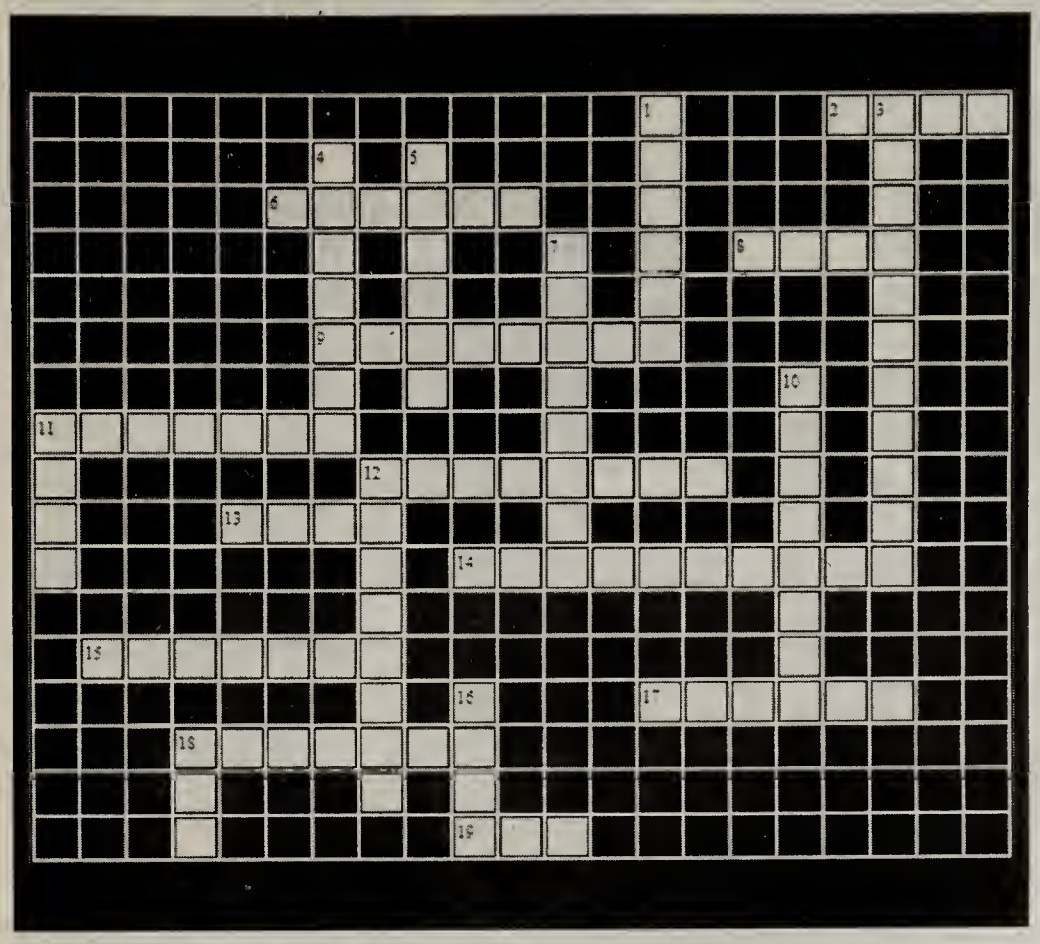

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Tuesday
September 18
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Wednesday
September 19
Isolated t-storms
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Thursday
September 20
Sunny
84°/63°

Friday
September 21
Sunny
85°/ 63°

Saturday
September 22
Partly cloudy
79°/ 53°

Sunday
September 23
Isolated t-storms
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Hairstyles

Across

2. Looks like a cotton ball
6. A popular not-so-talented American Idol contestant brought this back into style
8. Looks similar to this type of carpet
9. Alicia Keys is known for her intricate designs
11. Demi Moore rocked this
12. They don't snort or stink like the animal they are named after
13. Popular around proms and formal occasions
14. Made known by Rastafarians in Jamaica
15. Resembles the bristle surface of a brush
17. Part of this hairstyle is refered to as the "business party"
18. Popular in the 1960s without the bug sting
19. Lots of texture and cutting, very hip

Down

1. Punk kids might poke someone's eye out with these
3. Another name for pincurls
4. Lloyd Christmas
5. Made famous by Friends' character Rachel
7. Summo wrestlers sport this due
10. Michael Jackson caught his on fire
11. People who have this hairdo might use Rogaine
12. Works best for long hair and a short amount of time
16. Huge, literally, in the 1980s
18. Coco Chanel fell into fashion in the 1920s with this cut

Sudoku

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	3	9				2		6
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*sudoku may have more than one solution

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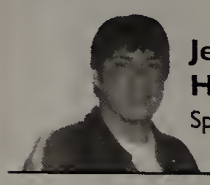
Patriots are the Yankees of NFL



Jeremy Homan
Sports Editor

The news surrounding the Patriots about cheating still doesn't take away their talent and accomplishments.

The Patriots don't need to cheat. Sure, they did cross the line of gaining a competitive edge. But the Patriots are a talented enough team to beat others without cheating. It's not proven whether or not the use of video tapes helped them.

Thinking of accomplishments and reputation of the Patriots, they remind me of being the Yankees of the NFL, with Bill Belichick playing the role of Joe Torre and Tom Brady being the captain Derek Jeter.

The Patriots may have not reigned supreme as long as the Yankees have, but this decade, the Patriots have been a force in the NFL. They are always the team to beat no matter how talented they may be.

Much like the Yankees, the Patriots get what they want when they want it. It seems like the Patriots have tons of money to spend on players they need, even with a salary cap.

The Patriots are going to be good every year and make the playoffs despite what their team may look like on paper. When it comes time to play, these boys can play. Both the Patriots and Yankees always find a way to win and prove people wrong.

Both teams have shared their defeats to their rivals. The Yankees lost to the Red Sox in 2004 and the Sox went onto win the World Series. The Patriots suffered a loss to the Colts last season on the Colts road to a Super Bowl win.

Belichick and Torre aren't so different. In Torre's first season as Yankees manager, he led them to a World Series title. In Belichick's second year as Patriots head coach, he led them to the Super Bowl.

Brady and Jeter are both the leaders of their teams. In Jeter's second season in the big leagues, he helped lead the Yankees to their first World Series title since 1981.

Brady stepped in for an injured Drew Bledsoe in the second game of the 2001 season. The Brady legacy began there. He led the Patriots to 11 wins and a Super Bowl title.

The Patriots and Yankees have a way of winning no matter what it takes. The word "hate" often comes up when the teams' names are brought up.

The Patriots are stacked. With the off-season acquisition of Randy Moss, they are going to be an unstoppable force this year. They are the best team in the AFC, if not the NFL. I am not a Patriots fan but, like them or not, they are the complete package.

The Genius

Belichick-3 Super Bowl championships
Torre- 4 World Series championships

Belichick

Torre

The Leader

Brady- 12-2 postseason record
Jeter- .314 postseason batting average

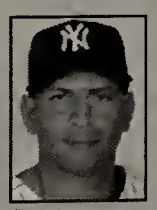
Brady

Jeter

The Producer

Moss- 102 career touchdowns
Rodriguez- 516 caeer home runs

Moss



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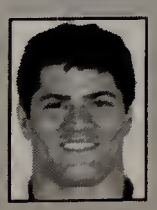

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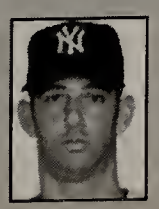

Posada

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Bears beat Chiefs, prepare for game with Cowboys next week

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Devin Hester (23) returned a punt 73 yards for a touchdown against the Chiefs on Sunday in the Bears 20-10 victory. The Bears welcome in the 2-0 Dallas Cowboys next Sunday night.

Jeremy Homan
Sports Editor

The Chicago Bears defeated the Kansas City Chiefs Sunday 20-10, to even their record to 1-1.

Although they won, it wasn't pretty. The offense looked almost as bad as it did last week.

Rex Grossman's solid first half effort was erased by his second half struggles. Grossman was 20-34 for 160 yards, one touchdown and two interceptions. Grossman gave his critics more to write about. The Bears scored only one offensive touchdown in their first two games.

"A win is a win," said Grossman during a post game press conference.

A win may be a win, but this game could have easily slipped away. The Chiefs had their chances in the game and a touchdown taken away by a penalty. The Chiefs made four trips inside the Bears 30 yard line, but only came away with three points.

The Bears defense played like it is capable of – holding the Chiefs' to only 10 points. Devin Hester returned a punt 73 yards for a touchdown to help bail the Bears offense out and help them secure a victory.

One of the bright spots for the Bears was the improvement from running back Cedric Benson. Benson ran for over 100 yards in the victory over the Chiefs.

"I thought he ran hard the entire game," said Head Coach Lovie Smith during a post game press conference.

The Bears can put the Chiefs' game behind them and look towards next week when they welcome in the Dallas Cowboys for a Sunday night primetime game.

The Cowboys will come in with a 2-0 record after defeating the Miami Dolphins on Sunday 37-20.

One key for the Bears will be limiting their turnovers. They turned the ball over seven times in the first two games.

"We had four the first game and three the second. We're making progress," said Smith.

The Bears defense will once again be the key. They will be facing another offense capable of putting up over 30 points, which the Cowboys have done in their first two victories.

The Bears will need to contain Terrell Owens to keep the points off the board for the Cowboys. One of Owens' moments at Soldier Field goes back to 2000 when he bobbled a pass that ended up in the hands of Mike Brown leading to a game-winning touchdown.

Cowboys quarterback Tony Romo is showing no signs of a sophomore slump, leading an impressive offense. Romo has thrown for 531 yards with six touchdowns.

The last time the Bears faced the Cowboys was in Dallas on Thanksgiving Day in 2004. The Cowboys won the game 21-7.

NATIONAL LAMPOON SPORTS MINUTE OR SO

The Milwaukee Brewers are making postseason tickets available to their fans for the first time in 15 years. Milwaukee fans will have to dress for the cold because hell has frozen over.

How bad are the Pittsburgh Pirates? A day after the Honus Wagner baseball card sold for $2.8 million, it batted fifth.

A Cubs fan built a one-third-size replica of Wrigley Field so he'll only have to wait one-third of a century for a World Series. Wow. You can really get a lot done when you're not distracted by women or friends.

Los Angeles Lakers guard Kobe Bryant is on a five-city tour of Asia. That's how far he has to go to find people who still like him.

Speaking of people who don't like Kobe Bryant, Shaquille O'Neal plans to return to the Heat after shedding over 120 pounds of useless weight this off-season. His ex-wife.

Chivas USA Soccer hired former NHL and NBA exec Shawn Hunter to help increase home attendance, by one.

A neurologist has concluded that former WWE star Chris Benoit suffered from brain damage. The brain damage was brought on by years and years of watching wrestling.

A punter who was cut by the Patriots was charged with assaulting his own father later that night. Convicting him will be easy, since Bill Belichick probably taped it.

And world champion Tyson Gay decided to pull out of the Golden League 100 meters due to fatigue. Gay was exhausted after years spent running from his last name.

-Written by Steve Hofstetter, Adam Hofstetter, Cody Marley, Ryan Murphy, Elliot Steingart and Chris Strait

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Steroids putting an asterik on sports

Ryan Metz
Assistant Sports Editor

In 1986 a young man from Arizona State University made his major league debut for the Pittsburg Pirates.

He was a 6'1", 185-pound left fielder who was born to be a ball player. His father played in the major leagues and his godfather Willie Mays is a Hall of Famer.

The slim outfielder named Barry Bonds was blessed with skills, which included speed and power, that baseball scouts drool over.

Fast forward his career to the summer evening of Aug. 7 when the 43-year old man stood at the plate donning his number 25 Giants jersey and launched his record 756th home-run into the center field stands. Bonds is now a dawdling 230-pounder with a physique that puts most body builders to shame. He also is the owner of the most hallowed record in all of sports.

The question lingering is how much of what we are watching is being achieved through hard work and how much is being achieved by means of performance- enhancing drugs.

Major league sports are polluted with athletes trying to gain an advantage and get the upper hand. Technology is advanced and athletes continue to push the boundaries of what they can get away with.

Common muscle-building drugs athletes have been linked to are anabolic steroids and human growth hormone. Steroids increase muscle growth and help athletes stay healthy and speed up the recovery process of an injury. HGH is a drug sports have yet to develop a testing method to find it in the body.

One of the first incidents putting a spotlight on steroids scandal happened at the Seoul Olympics in 1988 when Canadian sprinter Ben Johnson tested positive for anabolic steroids and was stripped of his gold medal.

Since then, Jose Canseco came out with his 2005 book "Juiced." In the book, Conseco stated that as many as 85 percent of baseball players could be using steroids.

In 2006 San Diego Chargers linebacker Shawne Merriman was suspended from four games for violating the NFL's steroid policy. Merriman was caught with steroids in his system he later claimed was in a tainted nutrional supplement he takes.

The 2007 Tour de France was plagued with controversy as overall leader Michael Rasmussen was removed from the race after stage 16 with doping allegations.

Baseball had no testing for performance-enhancing drugs as recently as 2005. Commissioner Bud Selig responded to Congress urging of a stricter policy and in 2005 he implemented harsher rules. Players would be tested randomly once a year. With the first positive test equaling a 50-game suspension, second positive test equaling a 100 game suspension and a third positive test will give a lifetime ban.

www.blackstate.com

Barry Bonds is been the center of attetion in steroid investigations. Bonds in 1986 (left) and Bonds in 2007 (right).

The effects on the bodies of the athletes are major as well. Former baseball player, Ken Caminiti, the 1996 National League MVP, told Sports Illustrated he used steroids during his career and the use of the drug stopped his body from producing its own testosterone. He died in 2004 at age 41 of a heart attack from his substance abuse problem.

Sports this week

Intramural Flag Football
Date: Monday, Sept. 17 and Wednesday, Sept. 19
Time: 7:30 p.m.
Loaction: REC Center and grassy area between Gyte and Lawshe

Bean Bag Tournament
Date: Tuesday, Sept. 18.
Time:7 p.m.
Loaction: REC Center

Club Baseball
Date: Wednesday, Sept. 19
Time: 3:30p.m.
Location: South Suburban College

Intramural Volleyball
Date: Thursday, Sept. 20
Time: TBD
Location: REC Center

SPECIALTY CLASSES
Sept. 5 - Nov. 14
Faculty / Staff (Spouses & SSDP)
Students & Fitness Center Members
$10 per Specialty Class
(Non-member - cost $40 per Class)
Classes Offered

Yoga	Yoga	Tai Chi	Core Conditioning
Tuesday & Thursday 7am - 8am	Tuesday & Thursday 12pm - 1pm	Monday & Wednesday 12:10 - 12:50 Friday 7am - 8am	Tuesday & Thursday 5pm - 6pm

All payments made at the Fitness Center in the FRC building
For more information, contact the Fitness Center at 989-2175
www.calumet.purdue.edu/wellness

Pro Sports Notebooks

Jim Thome hit a walk-off home run Sunday in the White Sox 9-7 victory. The homer was Thome's 500th of his career. Thome became the 23rd player in MLB history to join the 500 home run club and is the third player this year to reach the milestone. Frank Thomas and Alex Rodriguez are the other two who reached the milestone.

After 13 successful years as GM of the Twins, which included four postseason appearances, Terry Ryan announced his resignation Thursday effective at the end of September for the Twins who have no chance of making the playoffs.

Rockies first basemen Todd Helton hit his 300th career home run Sunday in a 13-0 victory over the Marlins.

Mets third baseban David Wright became the third member of the Mets' 30-30 club. Wright hit his 30th home run Sunday to go with his 31 steals.

The Detroit Tigers completed a sweep of the Minnesota Twins on Sunday. The win pulls them in 4.5 games for the first place Indians and puts the pressure on the Yankees.

New England Head Coach Bill Belichick was fined the NFL maximum of $500,000 Thursday and the Patriots were ordered to pay $250,000 for stealing an opponent's defensive signals in the first week of the season. Commissioner Roger Goodell also ordered the team to give up next year's first-round draft choice if it reaches the playoffs and second- and third-round picks if it doesn't.

Brett Favre became the quarterback with the most wins in NFL history Sunday. Favre passed John Elway on the all-time list with his 149th win of his 17 year career.

The Bengals and the Browns put on an offensive display Sunday. Both teams combined for over a 1,000 yards of offense. The Browns came out on top in the end 51-45.

Michigan finally notched their first win of the season, rolling over Notre Dame 38-0. Michigan running back Mike Hart ran for *187 yards route of the Irish.*

Notre Dame Freshman quarterback Demetrius Jones transferred to Northern Illinois University.

University of Illinois rushed for 378 yards against Syracuse this past weekend. The Illini were nine yards short of cracking the schools rushing record.

The University of Kentucky stunned no. 9 ranked Louisville on Saturday 40-34. Kentucky scored with 28 seconds left to pull off the upset.

No. 1 ranked USC rolled over Nebraska on Saturday 49-31. USC rushed for 313 yards and five touchdowns to beat Nebraska.

Utah blew out no. 11 ranked UCLA 44-6. Utah forced five turnovers and held UCLA to no touchdowns.

Duke defeated Northwestern to end a 22-game losing streak. The streak was the nation's longest.

Greg Oden's rookie season with the Portland Trail Blazers ended before it started when the 7' rookie had knee surgery Thursday. The top pick in the June draft went in for an exploratory procedure on his right knee and ended up having microfracture surgery, which means he will probably sit out the season.

LeBron James had lasik eye surgery last weekend to improve his eye sight. There were no difficulties with the procedure and the 22 year-old could resume workouts.

Russian won the title in the EuroBasket 2007 Championship. Russia defeated Spain to capture the title.

The Phoenix Mercury won the WNBA finals. They defeated the Detroit Shock to win their first WNBA title.

The Purdue University Calumet **Criminal Justice Club** is having its general meeting of the semester this **Thursday**
We will be talking about all of our **plans for this semester** and next.
Please **join us** if you are interested, **any majors** are welcome!
The meeting is in **CLO 135 at 8:45 a.m.** For more info email **thepuccjclub@yahoo.com**

Arvay crowned home run king

Chronicle photos by Christine Bartley

Sophomore nursing major Justin Arvay (left) defeated sophomore broadcasting major Josh Couwenhoven (right) in the fourth annual intramural Home Run Derby. Arvay hit three home runs in the final round to capture the title. Arvay ended the night with eight total home runs.

Joe Wielosinski
Staff Writer

Justin Arvay, a sophomore majoring in nursing, became PUC's version of MLB Home Run Derby champion, Los Angeles Angels outfielder Vladimir Guerrero by winning the fourth annual Intramural Home Run Derby Wednesday in the gym.

It wasn't an easy night for the slugger, as he had to compete in the final round against Josh Couwenhoven, a sophomore studying broadcasting, and freshman Chad Detmar.

Arvay hit three home runs in the final round to win, compared to one by Couwenhoven and zero by Detmar. Arvay hit eight home runs total in the derby.

"I feel great. I started out a little rough, but I came through in the end," said Arvay.

Arvay used his switch-hitting abilities to win the competition. He started the night batting right-handed, but moved to the left side of the plate to finish the night.

"I guess the underdog wins," said Arvay.

Losing did not discourage some of Arvay's competition.

"I came in second last year, so at least I stayed consistent," said Couwenhoven.

Men's new head basketball coach, Grayling Gordon, was one of 12 participants to take their swings in the derby. Gordon finished the night with no home runs.

The area of play was designed to represent a real baseball field. There were foul poles hanging from the track and home run hitters had to drive the ball over a white pipe surrounding the track in order to add a dinger to their tally.

"I think this event went over very well. It seems like everyone had fun," said Matt Dudzik, intramural sports coordinator.

Those who competed in the Home Run derby received a t-shirt at the end of the event for their participation.

Club baseball set to play this fall

Jeremy Homan
Sports Editor

With a dismal winless first season behind them, the PUC club baseball team is back on the field.

They are scheduled to start playing a fall season with nearly a new team and only five returning players from last season.

The first game will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 19 at South Suburban College.

The schedule is currently set at eight games with three doubleheaders. Home games are scheduled to play at IUN with more planned when confirmation from coaches is confirmed.

They came close to winning on more than one occasion last year, but fell short every time. Pitching and defense were the biggest problems last season and the team will look to make adjustments in the fall.

They are led by new head coach Jon Nourie after the recent resignation by former head coach David Funk.

Funk cited his resignation since the university has no plans to make the club team into varsity *anytime soon.*

"If PUC was adding baseball as a varsity sport within the next two to three years, I would still be there," said Funk. "Being at PUC was something I envisioned myself doing for a long time. Unfortunately there are situations in life that we don't have control over."

Funk believes Noruie will do well with the team this fall.

"Jon will do a great job," said Funk. "He has a vast knowledge of the game."

Despite the direction the university is taking, the team will continue to play and build a foundation for the sport.

The team will be put to a test this fall. They are scheduled to play teams including South Suburban College and Prairie State. The schedule was set before the resignation of Funk. Nourie sees the fall schedule as an opportunity to gain more experience and find out the strengths and weaknesses of the team.

There are already plans for a spring season in which a trip to play in Orlando is slated.

2007 Fall PUC Club Baseball Schedule

Date	Team	Time
Sept. 19	South Suburban College	3:30 p.m.
Sept. 23	Olive Harvey College	12 pm (DH)
Sept. 25	South Suburban College	3:30 p.m.
* Sept. 29	Ancilla College	11 a.m. (DH)
* Oct. 5 (DH)	Prairie State Colege	2:30 p.m.

* Home Games (played at IUN)

Home Run Derby Scores

Name	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Final	Total
Al Hulitt	0	0	-	-	0
Zach Bujaki	2	3	1	-	6
Josh Couwenhoven	1	2	4	1	8
Melvin Harding	3	2	0	-	5
John Tessling	0	0	-	-	0
Alex Flores	1	1	-	-	2
Eric Kellemen	1	1	-	-	2
Tommy Yokovich	0	3	0	-	3
Chad Detmar	0	3	2	0	5
Pete Fagan	1	3	1	-	5
Grayling Gordon	0	0	-	-	0
Justin Arvay	1	2	2	3	8

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